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In re Application of: Vincent PETIARD *et al.* Confirmation No.: 1875
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For: METHOD OF DETERMINING THE GENETIC MATERIAL OF COCOA IN FERMENTED OR ROASTED BEANS AND CHOCOLATE Attorney Docket No.: 88265-4022

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed June 2, 2004, Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks for entry into the above-identified application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 3 of this paper.

Also enclosed with this filing is a Submission of Priority Document, together with a certified copy of European Patent Application No. 98121043.8, filed on November 5, 1998, to which the subject application claims priority.

No fees are believed due for the amendment to the claims submission. Please charge any required fees to Winston & Strawn LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.